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SUBJECT: SPERRY RAND'S GOLDMAN VISITS ON ECONOMIC COUNCIL AND
COMPANY BUSINESS

1. EDWARD GOLDMAN, VICE PRESIDENT OF SPERRY RAND CORPORATION,
VISITED PRAGUE FEB 20-22 ON SPERRY RAND AND CZECHOSLOVAK-U.S.
ECONOMIC COUNCIL MATTERS. HE REVIEWED DEVELOPMENTS WITH E/C COUNSELOR

AND SAID HE PLANS TO RETURN TO PRAGUE AROUND MAY 22.

2. ON COUNCIL MATTERS, GOLDMAN MET WITH JAROSLAV PINKAVA,
CENTROTEX GENERAL DIRECTOR AND CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL'S
CZECHOSLOVAK SECTION, AND KAREL STASTNY OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
HE ALSO EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED BY DEPUTY FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER
JAROSLAV JAKUBEC JUST PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE (AND AFTER HIS SECOND
CONVERSATION WITH US). GOLDMAN SAID CZECHOSLOVAKS HAVE AGREED THAT
THIRD COUNCIL PLENARY MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PRAGUE SEPT 11 AND 12.
THEY ARE CONSIDERING GATHERING U.S. AND CZECHOSLOVAK PARTICIPANTS IN
KARLOVY VARY (OR SOME OTHER "RESORT" SITE) ON PIRO WEEKEND, SEPT
9-10, SO THAT PARTICIPANTS CAN MEET IN "SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT." AFTER
MEETING ENDS, U.S. PARTICIPANTS WILL BE INVITED TO VISIT

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ANNUAL BRNO ENGINEERING FAIR, WHICH OPENS SEPT 13. J. PAUL LYET,
SPERRY RAND CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL'S U.S. SECTION,
EXPECTS TO BE IN CSSR FROM SEPT 9 THROUGH 13, ACCORDING TO GOLDMAN,
WHO EXPRESSED COMPLETE SATISFACTION WITH ARRANGEMENTS CZECHOSLOVAKS
ARE MAKING.

3. ON SPERRY RAND

BUSINESS, GOLDMAN SAID HE DISCUSSED
"COOPERATION AGREEMENT" WITH JOSEF SLAMENEC OF FMTIR. DURING
HIS MAY VISIT, HE EXPECTS TO SIGN AGREEMENT COVERING AGRICULTURAL AND
HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT BUT SEES NO PROSPECT OF
COVERING COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY DUE TO U.S. EXPORT CONTROLS.

4. GOLDMAN SAYS HE WILL CONTACT WILLIAM WALLER OR KEVIN BRENNAN
(FSO'S SOON TO BE ASSIGNED TO E/C SECTION HERE) WHEN HE RETURNS HOME
TO WASHINGTON TO DISCUSS HIS TRIP. E/C COUNSELOR AGAIN OFFERED
APPROPRIATE EMBASSY ASSISTANCE, ESPECIALLY FOR COUNCIL MEETING
PREPARATIONS, AND SUGGESTED THAT GOLDMAN RELAY IMPORTANT MESSAGES
TO CZECHOSLOVAKS THROUGH EMBASSY (AS WELL AS ENDING THEM
DIRECTLY) BECAUSE OF CHRONIC PROBLEM HERE OF UNDELIVERED TELEX
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